

In the
Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF)
)
APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES)
)
FOR CASS COUNTY)

Cause No. 09S00-1206 -MS- 311

ORDER RE-APPROVING CASELOAD ALLOCATION PLAN

Pursuant to Ind. Administrative Rule 1, the Judges of the Cass Circuit and Superior Courts, request this Court to re-approve their caseload allocation plan based upon their revalidation of the plan.

And this Court being duly advised, now finds that the caseload allocation plan for Cass County should be re-approved.

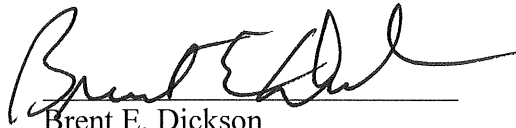
IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court, based upon revalidation by the Cass Circuit and Superior Court Judges, that the Cass County caseload allocation plan is re-approved.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Leo Burns, Cass Circuit Court, 200 Court Park, Logansport, IN 46947; the Hon. Richard A. Maughmer, Cass Superior Court 2, 200 Court Park, Courthouse, Logansport, IN 46947-3194; the Hon. Thomas C. Perrone, Cass Superior Court 1, 200 Court Park, #401, Logansport, IN 46947-3194; to the Clerk of the Cass Circuit and Superior Courts; and to the Division of State Court Administration. The Clerk is also directed to post this Order on the Court's website.

The Clerk of the Cass Circuit and Superior Courts is directed to enter this Order in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order for examination by the Bar

and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this 4th day of June, 2012.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brent E. Dickson", written over a horizontal line.

Brent E. Dickson
Chief Justice of Indiana

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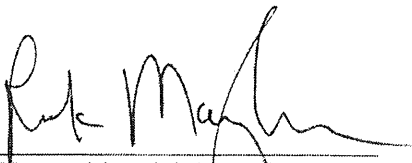
REQUEST FOR APPROVAL TO
RE-ADOPT CURRENT CASELOAD ALLOCATION PLAN

The judges of Cass County have met and reviewed the 2011 weighted caseload statistics of the courts of record. This review reveals that the difference in utilization between the courts of record in 2011 is within the .40 variance permissible under Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E).

Accordingly, we have decided to re-adopt the local rules setting forth the caseload allocation plan. These local rules have previously been published for public comment as required by Trial Rule 81 and have been approved by the Supreme Court. We request that the Supreme Court approve the re-adoption of the current caseload allocation plan.

Submitted this 21st day of May, 2012.

For the Courts of Record of Cass County



The Honorable Rick Maughmer
Cass Superior Court 2

Except as hereafter provided, Class D felony cases shall be filed in Superior Court 1. All misdemeanors and infractions shall be filed in Superior Court 2. All criminal and civil support actions shall be filed in Cass Circuit Court. All other felonies shall be assigned randomly to Cass Circuit Court and Cass Superior Court 2. A defendant having multiple independent criminal actions pending against him may have all criminal actions consolidated in one court per the discretion of the judiciary in this jurisdiction. Where multiple offenses are alleged, the highest class of criminal offense filed against an individual defendant shall control case assignment in accordance with this rule. Cases involving multiple defendants shall be filed in the same court pursuant to this rule for judicial economy.

Cases involving juvenile delinquencies, children in need of services, paternity, guardianships, and adoptions shall be filed in Circuit Court.

Small claims, independent protective order proceedings, and mental health cases shall be filed in Superior Court 1.

All other civil matters not specifically set out above shall be filed in the court requested by initiating counsel.

The sitting judges of this jurisdiction will meet on a regular basis to ensure equality of the judicial workload created by this rule.